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Save Bristol Bay Newsletter

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Bristol Bay in the News June 6, 2013

Bristol Bay has been a big topic in the national media, with a strong story from the Washington Post calling it one of the biggest environmental decisions facing President Obama, and chronicling the money and politics behind the fight.

In addition, actor Robert Redford wrote an op-ed in the Los Angeles Times that was reprinted in the Salt Lake City Tribune, Tacoma News Tribune, and Juneau Empire. He wrote: "But even without a catastrophic earthquake, the toxic chemicals used in copper processing have an ugly way of finding their way into local water and soil. If that happens in this watershed, we can kiss the wild salmon goodbye."

Mother Jones magazine wrote a piece about Pebble with the headline, "This Alaskan Gold Mine Makes Arctic Drilling Look Good." In it, fishing captain Katherine Carscallen says: "This entire region is dependent on—and has been living in balance with—salmon for centuries. We have the largest sustainable salmon runs in the country. Letting this mine go forward would be the start of a whole cascade of mines and development, which would be in complete conflict with the land, people, and economy of our region."

In Washington state, a boat builder authored an op-ed about his 30 years of working in the Bristol Bay salmon economy and how many people depend upon it. "Put another way, a lot of people and businesses are affected by one boat, and in the case of Bristol Bay, a rising tide lifts all boats. In Washington there are dozens of small businesses like my own that are tied to the Bristol Bay salmon fishery and directly support hundreds of skilled labor jobs," wrote Pat Pitsch of Strongback Metal Boats. Lastly, Rep. Jamie Herrera Beutler wrote a letter to the EPA asking the agency to carefully consider fishing jobs in the district when making any decisions about Bristol Bay.

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The biggest environmental decision facing Obama you've never heard of

The Washington Post
Juliet Eilperin

If you want to get a sense of how contentious the decision is over whether the Obama administration is going to block a planned copper and gold mine near Bristol Bay, consider this: the Environmental Protection Agency has just decided to allow the public another month to weigh in on a scientific review of the project they released a year ago... [Click here to read more](#)

Alaska's Pebble mine proposal threatens business in Whatcom County

The Bellingham Herald

Pat Pitsch

I've spent the last 30 years building a family business around the Bristol Bay, Alaska, salmon fishery, making the aluminum boats that fishermen use to harvest fish from the world's greatest sockeye salmon run... [Click here to read more](#)

This Alaskan Gold Mine Makes Arctic Drilling Look Good

Mother Jones

Kate Sheppard

What's the greatest threat to Alaska's pristine wilderness? Drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is up there, as is climate change. But if you ask people who live in the state, many will tell you that Pebble Mine... [Click here to read more](#)

Alaska's Bristol Bay is no place to put an open-pit mine

The Tacoma News Tribune

Robert Redford

Coursing through vast reaches of Alaskan tundra, glacial lakes and emerald forests, six major river systems converge along the rim of the Bering Sea to form the crystalline waters of Bristol Bay, the richest wild salmon grounds in the world... [Click here to read more](#)

EPA Extending Comment Period on Pebble Study

Anchorage Daily News

AP

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is extending the public comment period on its study of large mining impacts in the Bristol Bay region. The comment period was scheduled to end Friday. EPA announced Thursday that it will now be June 30... [Click here to read more](#)

Herrera Beutler calls on EPA to protect salmon from Alaska mine proposal

The Longview Daily News

U.S. Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler urged the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on Wednesday to consider the livelihoods of Southwest Washington fishermen in its decisions on an Alaska mining proposal that opponents say would damage the world's most productive salmon fishery... [Click here to read more](#)

Bristol Bay is no place to experiment: Assessment shows Pebble mine would be bad for Alaska

Fairbanks News-Miner

Mark Niver and Doug Morgan

When the delegates to Alaska's Constitutional Convention gathered in Fairbanks during the cold November of 1955, they set out to craft what they knew would be an experimental document. Their work proved exceptional and has stood the test of time. . . [Click here to read more](#)

Letters: No to mining Bristol Bay

The LA Times

Jerry Small

Common sense dictates that when it comes to massive open-pit mining in Alaska's Bristol Bay, regulators should take the long view. If we get this wrong today, we won't be able to fix it tomorrow... [Click here to read more](#)

Opinion: Help stop Pebble Mine

Daily Journal of Commerce

Cary Kopczynski

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